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STEPHANIE BUTCHER, MS, PLPC

EDUCATION

Avila University, Kansas City, MO - Master of Science, Counseling Psychology, 3.89 8/2006-5/2010

The Master of Science degree for Counseling Psychology is a 60 credit-hour program that meets both Missouri and Kansas state licensure requirements. The program consists of a multitude of hands-on class work, practicum, and a 750 hour internship. The program also requires that every student develop their own personal theory of change upon exiting the program.

Central Missouri State University, Warrensburg, MO - Bachelor of Science, Psychology, 3.73 8/2001-12/2005

The psychology program at Central consists of many hands-on courses such as a year-long Research and Design course that requires each student to develop and execute both a group and an individual research project. These experiences prepared me for my master's work at Avila.

LICENSURES AND CERTIFICATION

I currently hold my provisional license for Professional Counselor (PLPC) in Missouri and am working towards licensure as an LPC in Kansas. Missouri provisional license number: 2012040526

I have received certification as an Autism Specialist in March 2011 through the Kansas Center for Autism Research and Training. In this training I have acquired the skills of assessing children on the Autism Spectrum for communication, socialization, academic, and behavioral deficits as well as creating plans to increase their skills in those areas.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Autism Specialist/ Behavioral Therapist, Counseling for Success, LLC, Kansas City, KS 1/2013-current

I have recently begun my LLC for providing counseling services, skill level assessments, and behavioral consultation to both children and adults, with a concentration in Autism Spectrum Disorders. I am contracted out through Liberty Family Counseling and will be providing services to individuals and groups at Liberty Family Counseling Office, schools, and client's homes.

Behavioral Consultant, Parsons State Hospital and Training Center, Parsons, KS 1/2011-current

My position on the Dual Diagnosis Treatment and Training Services Outreach Team consists of conducting observations, interviews, functional assessment inventories, and developing person-centered recommendations on behavioral interventions to utilize with individuals with developmental disabilities in a variety of environments. I currently have a case load of 11 clients receiving follow-up services. Our team works from the Behavioral perspective while including recommendations for mental health services when necessary. I have been recognized by my team for my sense of responsibility and team work, as well as my high percentage of client follow through with data collection, currently at 82%.

Counseling Intern, The Child Abuse Prevention Association, Independence, MO 8/2009-5/2010

My internship at CAPA consisted of 750 clock hours of both direct and non-direct client contact. During my experience, I had a total of 17 clients, both children and adults, in my caseload. I was responsible for doing the intake assessments, meeting with clients on a weekly basis, keeping updated case notes, developing treatment plans, and doing quarterly outcome reviews on each client. I worked in correspondence with my clinical team, parents, schools, and the court system. At CAPA, we worked primarily from the Cognitive-Behavioral approach, but I also have experience with using Family-Systems and Dialectical-Behavioral approaches. I was recognized at my internship for being able to connect with clients who were initially resistant to treatment.